**Six Decades of Business & Society: Looking Back, Looking Ahead**

**Call for Proposals – Literature Reviews**

*Business & Society* will turn 60 years in September, 2020. Since proclaiming the ‘Declaration of Interdependence’ in 1960, the journal has come a long way. This period has also seen a remarkable growth of the field of business and society, which has seen the emergence of numerous new theories, research topics, and methods to study them. The journal will publish a special issue to celebrate this scholarship and mark its 60th anniversary.

The 60th anniversary special issue will include a number of articles that take stock of the journal and the field. To support this endeavour, we invite proposals from scholars to review the diverse research on business and society topics. These reviews will be aimed at facilitating the accumulation of relevant research on topics of interest to business and society scholars and informing research on emerging topics. Relevant subjects include (but are not limited to): business and governance, business ethics, business-government relations, corporate social responsibility, sustainability, social entrepreneurship, stakeholder management, socioeconomic inequalities, employment relations, business and human rights, and globalization.

The literature reviews should not only summarize and integrate a particular stream (or multiple streams) of research, but should also aim to invigorate future research with theory development. Given the vision and scope of *Business & Society*, papers can also review research in adjacent disciplines but with an explicit aim to enable and further research on those topics by business and society scholars.

Proposals should be no more than four pages of single-spaced text of 12-point font with one inch margins (excluding tables, figures, and references) and should address (and include the following headings):

* *Topic, relevance, and audience*. The proposal should clearly identify the topic, its relevance to the field of business and society, and the various scholarly communities that the review article will engage with.
* *Need, timeliness, and importance*. The proposal should argue for the need for a review at this stage and its importance to current and future business and society research. As appropriate, this should also identify any past or forthcoming reviews on the topic and distinguish the proposed review article from such reviews.
* *Contribution, insights, and guidance*. The proposal should clearly lay out the insights that will be generated from the review article, the contributions it will make, and the guidance it will offer to future research on business and society topics.
* *Feasibility, expertise, and experience*. The proposal should outline the feasibility of the proposed review considering the tight timelines, expertise of the authors on the proposed topic, and experience of the authors in publishing review articles or articles similar to them, such as commentaries, editorials, and perspectives.

**Key Dates**

* May 1 to May 31, 2020. Submission of proposals to [baseditors@deakin.edu.au](mailto:baseditors@deakin.edu.au)
* June 30, 2020. Decisions on proposals and feedback to invited authors
* November 30, 2020. Submission of full papers by invited authors
* February 28, 2021. Decisions on first round reviews
* May 31, 2021. Final papers due

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Interested scholars are welcome to contact the editors (at [baseditors@deakin.edu.au](mailto:baseditors@deakin.edu.au)) with any questions about proposal submissions.